



BIBLIOPLAN COOL HISTORY FOR ADVANCED

ANCIENTS, WEEK 6

Fill in the Blank:

1. Isaac and Rebekah had twin sons, _____ and _____. Isaac's favorite was _____, but Rebekah's favorite was _____.
2. When Esau was hungry, he sold Jacob his _____ for a meal of _____ made from _____.
3. Isaac disapproved of Esau's _____ wives.
4. Jacob has his first vision of God at a place called _____, which means _____. He sleeps there using a _____ as a pillow.
5. Jacob returned to the old family home at _____ to find a bride. At the well there he met _____, daughter of _____, Rebekah's brother.

Short Answer:

1. What does the name "Jacob" mean? What does Jacob's new name, "Israel," mean?
2. What title did Shamsi-Adad claim for himself? What was the name of his nation? Who claimed Shamsi-Adad's title after Shamsi-Adad died?
3. According to the Epic of Gilgamesh, why did the god Anu create Enkidu? What happened instead?
4. When Gilgamesh insults Ishtar, the goddess of love, what does she do?

5. How does Gilgamesh lose his chance to receive eternal life?

Short Essays:

1. Traditionally, what advantages did firstborn sons have over their brothers? For what price did Esau sell his birthright? What might Esau's sale of his birthright mean?
2. When Jacob leaves Haran to return to Canaan, he must face two disgruntled family members. Who are they and why are they upset with him?
3. Why does Enkidu's death cause Gilgamesh so much grief? What does he do to assuage his grief? To whom does he turn for answers? What makes this person special?

Research Essay:

Go to the Bible to read Jacob's two encounters with God in Gen. 28:10-22 and Gen. 32:22-32. What does each mean? What is the significance of Jacob's new name?